# DIRECTORS' MEETING MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2001 - 11:00 A.M. CONFERENCE ROOM 113

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# II. CITY CLERK

# III. CORRESPONDENCE

# A. COUNCIL REQUESTS

#### ANNETTE McROY

- 1. OUTSTANDING Request to **Law Department** RE: Cars & Trucks driving on City streets that operate hydraulics systems (RFI#45 -5/05/00)
- 2. OUTSTANDING Request to LPD, Chief Casady/ Law Department RE: To have bikes picked up by Police given to them for repairs and give away if no one claims them (RFI#62 11/16/00) 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM ASSISTANT CHIEF JIM PESCHONG, LPD RECEIVED ON RFI#62-11/20/00
- 3. Request to the Public Works & Utilities Department, Scott Opfer RE: On Holidays parking meter requirements (RFI#63-1/23/01) 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM SCOTT OPFER, PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DEPARTMENT RECEIVED ON RFI#63-1/26/01

# **JON CAMP**

1. OUTSTANDING Request to **Dana Roper, City Attorney** - RE: EMS Outside Consultants/Attorneys (RFI#51 - 9/28/00)

# **JEFF FORTENBERRY**

1. Request to the Law Department - RE: Inquiries re: Women's Commission advocacy against Defense of Marriage Amendment (RFI#21-1/29/01)

# B. DIRECTORS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

# **COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

1. Letter from Bob Workman - RE: City's Administrative Policy for the Sale of Surplus Property (See Letter).

#### HEALTH DEPARTMENT

- \*1. NEWS RELEASE from Leon Vinci RE: Flu Is Gradually Increasing Locally (See Release).
- \*2. Memo from Leon Vinci RE: Influenza Update (See Memo).

#### PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

1. Response Letter from Lynn Johnson to June Simpson - RE: Proposed Sale of Land at Holmes Golf Course (See Letter).

# **PLANNING**

- 1. Information from the Planning Department RE: A meeting hosted by the Lincoln/Lancaster County Planning Department on the proposed "Southeast Lincoln/Highway 2 Subarea Plan" on Monday, February 12, 2001 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Lincoln Berean Church, 6400 S. 70<sup>th</sup> Street (70<sup>th</sup> & Highway 2)(See Information).
- 2. Material from Jean Walker RE: Change of Zone No. 3292 and Miscellaneous No. 00011 (Entryway Corridors District and Design Standards) (See Material).

# PLANNING COMMISSION FINAL ACTION .....

\*1. Special Permit No. 1892 (Personal wireless facility - No. 7<sup>th</sup> Street & Fletcher Avenue) Resolution No. PC-00657.

#### PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

- \*1. Response Letter from Harry Kroos to James B. Luers, Wolfe, Snowden, Hurd, Luers & Ahl RE: The approval of the resolution ordering sidewalks along West "O" Street (See Letter).
- \*2. Response Letter from Harry Kroos to Steven C. Haack RE: The resolution ordering sidewalk construction along the south side of Glade Street from South 49<sup>th</sup> Street to South 52<sup>nd</sup> Street (See Letter).
- \*3. Response Letter from Harry Kroos to John McDermott RE: The resolution ordering sidewalk construction along the west side of South 38<sup>th</sup> Street from 'A' Street to 'D' Street (See Letter).
- \*4. Response Letter from Scott Opfer to Claude Reyman RE: Street Medians (See Letter).
- \*5. Response Letter from Scott Opfer to Dan Klein RE: 38<sup>th</sup> Street & Pine Lake Road Traffic Signal Request (See Letter).

6. Memo & Report from Dennis Bartels, Public Works & Utilities Department and Stephen Henrichsen, Planning Department - RE: Infrastructure Financing Study Advisory Committee Final Report (Material for the Pre-Council Meeting scheduled for 2/05/01 at 10:00 a.m.)(See Material).

# **REAL ESTATE DIVISION**

- \*1. InterOffice Memo from Clinton W. Thomas RE: Mahoney Park/Fairview Cemetery Surplus Property Declaration (See Memo).
- 2. InterOffice Memo from Clinton Thomas RE: Holmes Park Surplus Property (See Memo).

# **STARTRAN**

1. InterOffice Memo from Larry Worth - RE: January 20, 2001 StarTran Town Hall Meeting (See Memo).

# C. MISCELLANEOUS

- \*1. E-Mail from John Parham, Assistant to the City Manager, City of Largo, Florida RE: City Manager Evaluation (See E-Mail).
- \*2. E-Mail from Bob & Lucille Hanson RE: The letter about the Fire Department taking over the ambulance service and the details about the service (See E-Mail).
- \*3. E-Mail from Suchada Rajca RE: Please support the Southeast Lincoln/Highway 2 Subarea Plan as proposed by the Planning Department (See E-Mail).
- \*4. E-Mail from Sean Roche RE: A class project he has to do for school (See E-Mail).
- \*5. Letter from Bill Story to Jerry Shoecraft RE: The ambulance service (See Letter).
- 6. Letter from AKA-Jonny Catte/AKA-Eric Gatica (See Letter).

- 7. Letter from Mrs. Sara Hollcroft, Reading Instructor, Scott Middle School Students RE: Students at Scott Middle School are raising money for PLANTER Pledging Life for Another Neighborhood's Tomorrow by Experiencing Reading. It is the goal of Scott students to have members of the Lincoln community (that's you) attend PLANTER (SEE LETTER).
- 8. E-Mail from Donna Goldsberry, DG's Outsource Solutions RE: To inquire whether or not you ever have the need to outsource work (See E-Mail).
- IV. DIRECTORS
- V. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

VI. ADJOURNMENT

\*HELD OVER FROM JANUARY 29, 2001.

# DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2001 CONFERENCE ROOM 113

**Council Members Present:** Jerry Shoecraft, Chair; Jeff Fortenberry, Vice-Chair; Coleen Seng, Jon Camp, Jonathan Cook, Cindy Johnson.

**Council Member Absent:** Annette McRoy.

Others Present: Mayor Don Wesely, Mark Bowen, Jennifer Brinkman, Ann Harrell, Mayor's Office; Joan Ross, City Clerk; Teresa Meier-Brock, Deputy City Clerk; Dana Roper, City Attorney; Directors and Department Heads; Darrell Podany, Aide to Council Member Camp & Council Member Johnson; Karen Shinn, Aide to Council Member Fortenberry; Tammy Bogenreif, City Council Staff, and Chris Hain, *Lincoln Journal Star* Representative.

# I. MAYOR

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that one of the things he knows they are going to be working on is the sound system in this Conference Room (Conference Room 113) because it is hard to hear from the back area. Ms. Seng stated to Mayor Wesely that it is on today, that Bill Luxford told her this morning. Mayor Wesely stated to Council so they will see how it works, but he knows it is hard for the Directors to hear them from the back area.

Mayor Don Wesely welcomed everyone back and stated that it has been a while. Mayor Wesely commented to Council that the winter weather is keeping them going.

Mayor Don Wesely stated that Ms. Seng's Birthday is on Thursday. Everyone wished her a Happy Birthday! Mayor Wesely stated that Ms. Seng's Birthday is close to Abraham Lincoln's Birthday which is Monday, but they are having a big celebration on Sunday. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that he hopes if they have a chance to remind folks to come by the Lied Center. Mayor Wesely stated that the event will be all afternoon and into the evening and they have a lot of great activities going on. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that hopefully they have gotten some of the material about it, that they had some posters about it to try to get the word out on this event. Mayor Wesely stated that it should be a lot of fun and a good time for everybody and a chance to celebrate again. Mayor Wesely stated that this event is also indoors, so it doesn't matter what the weather is going to be.

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that they have he thinks some good news on the Storm Sewer Bond Issue and he is going to ask Don Herz to come up and answer any questions that they might have on it. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that Allan Abbott is also here as well. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that he knows a number of them have been concerned about the timing with the Budget looking pretty bad this year and other issues on how they might make this fit, since the Downtown Bonds go off in a couple of years. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that Don Herz has come up with a way they can move forward on the bonds and the timing of the payments, so that they don't start until the time the bonds on Downtown are paid off. Mayor Wesely indicated to Council that this is a very creative way to deal with the problem and he wants to thank Mr. Herz because he thinks this is a wonderful solution to the problem.

Don Herz stated to Council that he handed out some material to them in regards to the Storm Sewer Bond Issue. [SEE ATTACHMENT - General Obligation Debt Principal & Interest Payments By Fiscal Year | Don Herz stated to Council that the first shows what the existing General Obligation Debt Services are by year for the various Storm Sewer and General Obligation Debt and the totals of these are in the left hand column. Mr. Herz stated to Council that on the following two sheets are a couple of options that they can consider for the cost of financing approximately \$7 \(\frac{1}{2}\) million of Storm Sewer Bonds. Mr. Herz stated to Council that the annual debt service is approximately six hundred-thousand dollars and typically what they have done is begin the debt service payments immediately, but one option which is on the second sheet is to actually time the debt service and it's to begin when the projects are finished in 2 years. Mr. Herz stated to Council that in a sense what they do is they capitalize the cost of the interest payments that are due during those first 2 years; and they have done this in the past he believes on some of the Parking Revenue Bonds that they don't begin those service payments until construction is over. Mr. Herz stated to Council by doing this the principal and interest payments would start accruing after the Downtown Development Bonds are paid off. So if you like at the far right column on his second option they can see that the property tax that would need to be levied on a typical hundred-thousand dollar home would not go up. That in fact, because the six hundred-thousand dollar debt service is less than the \$1.2 million debt service that goes away would actually drop down in the third year. Mr. Herz stated to Council that this is a process they could use.

Mr. Shoecraft stated that he thinks this is a great proposal, but if they move forward with this he thinks they need to tell the public about it because they are going to be weary of anything that's going to be on the ballot, especially if the school override issue is on the ballot in April. Mr. Shoecraft commented that taxpayers are very consciousness right now, so they need to educate them as far as when the principal and interest debt occurs, that this is the way they are doing now and they educate them and then he thinks they will be fine. Mr. Shoecraft stated that if they don't and look at other issues that may be on the ballot especially the levy override. Mayor Wesely stated to Mr. Shoecraft that he has talked to the School Board and they are looking at an April vote and so the City would look at a May vote, so it will not end up on the same ballot. Mr. Shoecraft stated to Mayor Wesely okay.

Mr. Fortenberry stated that he thinks the Resolution says April and Mr. Shoecraft indicated that is what he thought it read. Mr. Fortenberry asked Dana Roper if they could amend the Resolution. Dana Roper stated to Mr. Fortenberry absolutely. Mayor Wesely stated to Mr. Roper that he thinks they better, that he has checked with the schools and they plan on having the levy override on the ballot in April. Mr. Roper stated to Mayor Wesely okay.

Mayor Wesely stated that he wanted to thank Don Herz. Mayor Wesely asked Allan Abbott, if he wanted to say anything in regards to this issue. Mayor Wesely stated that they talked about whether they wanted to delay the actually projects and they have waited 4 years since the last bond issue, so they are just following behind, so he doesn't know. Allan Abbott stated to Council that basically the Infrastructure Financing Study talked about the [inaudible] where you can go to pick some of this up, but that is going to be a while before that happens. Mr. Abbott stated to Council that Roger Figard does have a summary that he can distribute to them at this time, which discusses each of the projects. Roger Figard handed out to Council the material. [SEE ATTACHMENT -Storm Sewer Bond Issue] Mr. Abbott stated to Council if they have any questions after he hands out the material to them, that he would be glad to answer their questions at that time. Mr. Abbott stated to Council that this is really something they just can't put off for every and they will be at the service of the taxpayers during the vote. But he thinks that they do explain it and particularly with what Don Herz has come up with they have a pretty good chance for it passing and they just need to proceed at this time. Mr. Shoecraft commented to Don Herz very good job. Mr. Shoecraft stated to Mr. Herz that him and Mr. Fortenberry talked on the phone a couple of times and Mr. Fortenberry had brought up this issue of the Storm Sewer lines, basically on how it should be done and even though he was going off the Council, he still was concerned about it and concerned about the Budget impact, so he was happy to see a resolution to this now.

Mr. Camp stated that he was just going to ask, so they have it in the full picture, that he was wondering what other potential bonds would they have coming up simultaneously with this that is out there on the horizon. Don Herz stated to Mr. Camp that they have one other project, he believes it is about \$4 or \$5 million, but if the service is on it, that this will still be less than the full amount of that service that's going away. Mr. Camp asked Mr. Herz what would that be. Mr. Herz stated to Mr. Camp that he believes one included a smaller project over at Pershing Auditorium, and at this time he thinks it included the Fire Stations on the list.

Ms. Seng asked Roger Figard if they have a longer list of needs on the storm sewer then just this list. Mr. Figard stated to Ms. Seng absolutely. Ms. Seng commented that this is just maybe a tenth of it. Mr. Figard stated to Ms. Seng probably, that there was a list of over 110 projects in Lincoln in the late 60's, early 70's. Mr. Figard stated that the deficiencies of storm sewer needs in the built environment (not out on the edge) and they have little delay, but the list has grown. Mr. Figard stated that the other part of reminding people is that this really is taken care of the existing part of town (the older part of town) that this is not a bond issue to subsidize growth and storm sewer on the edge; nor is this work really caused by growth on the edge, that this is really providing the

older parts of town the same design standards and run-off protection that the rest of the community has. Mr. Figard stated that there is a continued long list of other projects and as well as they build new systems there always has been the maintenance of it that needs to be taken care of. Mayor Wesely thanked Don Herz again and stated that this was very creative and helpful.

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that he was at Roper School this morning and they did Clue. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that it is Clues Week at Roper School and the children learned by using enjoyable stories.

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that on Friday, he went down to Kansas City to the Community Learning Center Concept. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that it is an initiative by the LPS Foundation and it is a very creative effort to merge communities with the schools to try to address in particular high need areas. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that Kansas City came at it from the Health & Human Services side with what problems and [inaudible] services. Mayor Wesely indicated to Council that when he was Chair of the Committee they were looking at this in the early-mid 90's as well and they set up something that they talked about, which was this business group in Kansas City. Mayor Wesely stated that they work with the schools and work with a local Council called "Schools & Neighborhoods Advisory Committee" and they get together and come up with a plan on what they need for their neighborhood and the schools. Then they go and work with this other group and pull together resources from the private sector and the public to help address the issues. Mayor Wesely indicated to Council that they have had a huge impact on it. Mayor Wesely indicated to Council that this is really kind of exciting and can help address some of the high needs in our City, so he thinks they will be hearing more about it. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that it went very well.

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that in regards to the Ambulance Service issue that they had asked him before about where they were with Platte County now that they are calling themselves Midwest Medical Transport Company. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that the license was issued last week to proceed, but he doesn't know anymore then that. Mayor Wesely stated that he also thinks that they are planning on going forward and loading up some routine ambulance service.

Mayor Don Wesely indicated to Council that they also have the V.A. contract coming up today and he didn't know if they had any questions on it. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that this is a substantial financial benefit to the City.

Mr. Shoecraft stated to Mayor Wesely that he was visiting with Jennifer Brinkman about it and they see editorials from time to time on it and he has also received a couple of phone calls about it. Mr. Shoecraft stated to Mayor Wesely that they need to let the public know and a gentleman tried to spell it out in an editorial today that it is not the Fire Department's or the City's responsibility or notation to have the hospital rotation system. Mr. Shoecraft commented that they didn't create it, the Medical Society created it year's ago and he asked Chief Spadt if this was correct. Chief Spadt stated to Mr. Shoecraft that is correct. Mr. Shoecraft stated that everybody is looking at them as though they did it or the Fire Department did it, since they have taken over the 911 and the routine service and that is not the case. Mr. Shoecraft indicated that it is because he thinks the shortage of beds in the community and that it has been around for 3 years. Mr. Shoecraft asked someone to correct him, if what he saying is not correct. Mr. Shoecraft stated that maybe someone can comment on it, that it is not them that has this hospital rotation issue and he is very concerned about it because they have some people out there that are adamant about where they want to go for hospital care. Mr. Shoecraft stated that it doesn't make sense to him and he thinks this is going to cause some problems here in the community one day and it is going to be reflected on them. Mr. Shoecraft indicated that he thinks they need to educate the public in regards to this issue and the hospital rotation issue needs to be discussed at the next Medical Society Meeting. Mr. Shoecraft indicated that it is starting to cause some problems.

Mayor Wesely stated to Mr. Shoecraft that everything he said, he agrees with him. Mayor Wesely handed out to Council a copy of the policy. [SEE ATTACHMENT - The Lincoln Emergency Medical Services - Medical/Operational Procedure - Hospital Diversion] Mayor Wesely stated to Council that they had Saint Elizabeth's announcement a few weeks ago and they had Bryan a few months ago and so they have got to find a way to address the over- crowded situation. Mayor Wesely stated that both of these projects are taking off and two years from now hopefully they won't have a problem. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that he thinks it is Saint Elizabeth's Hospital, who will have twice the emergency room beds after the project, so it should take care of their needs in a while. But for the next year or two they have a transition and that means they have to get some help and so he agrees with Mr. Shoecraft that they need to get the word out better. Mr. Shoecraft stated to Mayor Wesely okay.

Mr. Camp stated to Mr. Shoecraft that he thinks he brought up a good point to help educate the community, but at the same time as he understands the policy, that he thinks in fairness to the hospitals and the medical community it is a way to try and maximize the resource that they have and to keep our health care costs down. Mr. Camp commented that unfortunately here is no perfect system, but if they didn't have the rotation they would have that extra capacity just sitting there. So, it is a balance of process and obviously with what Saint Elizabeth and Bryan/LGH is proposing they are going to have a potential increase in our medical facilities. Mr. Camp commented that he doesn't know if there is any real bad person in this, that it is just really education.

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that they just had a Pre-Council Meeting on the Infrastructure Finance Study and Report and a lot of folks put a lot of time into that report and he felt like they reached a lot of consensus, but a lot of work still remains. Mayor Wesely indicated to Council that at least they are making progress on it and again it is a wonderful tribute to have the willingness to at least talk about new ideas and new ways to deal with the issue.

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that he thinks they mentioned the Economic Development issue and he wanted to let them know that it is part of the Comp. Plan. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that they are forming an Economic Development Committee that will put an Economic Development component in part of the plan. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that there will be a number of representatives from our larger employers in the City and they will meet he thinks for the first time next week.

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that recently the Mayor's Community Conscience Award for 2001 was issued a few weeks ago to Ameritas and he just got a call from the newspaper and he thinks they are going to be doing a story about it. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that this has really worked out well. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that last year Pfizer received the award and they advertised it on the Pfizer billboard and they said that they had more volunteers and more help because they had gotten that recognition. Mayor Wesely commented that he hopes the same for Ameritas. Mayor Wesely indicated to Council that Pfizer is number one in United Way in given among the employees like 89% and Ameritas is the second of 79%. Mayor Wesely indicated to Council that it is just unbelievable, their generosity, that it is very helpful.

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that him and Mr. Fortenberry will be talking tomorrow at the Rotary Club about the Entryway in which they have been very generous in helping them with it.

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that they signed the Norris LES agreement, so that was really good. But the problem is for every problem they solve is another problem waiting for their attention and the LES situation with legislation is one they ought to talk about. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that in a brief summary of where he thinks they are at on it, that LES decided they need to explore the option of providing to some larger employers in certain circumstances Internet access. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that this came up because Kabredlo's and Gallup last year; that Gallup wanted a second carrier and they know what happened there, and Kabredlo's wanted the same thing, but only this time LES has a line that runs right by where they are and said if able to they would connect them up. Mayor Wesely stated that Kabredlo's already has

Internet service through Alltel, but they wanted a second carrier, so that is want prompted their desire to enter this. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that now the legislature has legislation that would probably make it at best unattractive and at worse possible for them, even to a lot of private carriers to use their access lines as a second carrier. So, they need to be alert to the legislation pending out there because this has a huge impact on the economic future of the City and they have to be thinking about what they need to be doing. Mayor Wesely stated that as a City utility and as the Council and as Mayor they have to be involved in it because it has a huge impact on the community.

Mr. Fortenberry asked Mayor Wesely what is the status of this legislation. Mayor Wesely stated to Mr. Fortenberry that LES believes and he thinks PSA is saying as well that because of their status as a municipality they have the authority to now not provide the service that could be a carrier to the service. So they feel they have already got the authority, but others want to do it to on public power and so they need legislation. But the legislation at this point, he believes the status of it is that they can't charge less than the telephone carrier and their profit that they make has to go into the telephone line. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that this means there is no incentive of insurance of another provider coming in or to LES, so the current status of it is that it would pretty much kill the possibility. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that the whole situation could get pretty difficult and he doesn't know how they want to handle it, but he would suggest that they might want to have a discussion on it or schedule a Pre-Council Meeting to discuss it. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that Jennifer Brinkman has been following this issue.

Mayor Don Wesely stated to Council that the Lancaster Event Center had their opening and it was a huge event, so they are up and running. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that they also kicked off the study of the event facilities in the City, which would be one that they would evaluate. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that there is a group KPMG of St. Petersburg and they are going to be talking over the next few weeks and he believes they will have a report in April about the market niche they can fill and what they need to be doing and how they approach it. Mayor Wesely indicated to Council so expect something back in April or May on the question of the future of event facilities in the City.

Mayor Wesely stated to Council that Jon Camp hosted a Town Hall Meeting and he thought it went very well and stated that there were a lot of interesting questions. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that one of them dealt with the Talent + issue which they saw last week. Mayor Wesely stated to Council what they were doing was that they have been talking about this for years; the first step is to get it declared surplus and than they can take the next steps, but there are additional steps if it is park land. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that the Parks Board has to approve it and the Federal Government has

to approve it. So there are a lot of hoops to go through, but in the end they can do tremendous good with the money that they would make on it. Mayor Wesely indicated to Council that they are really hopeful and Talent + is a great employer and so he hopes it will go well. Mr. Fortenberry asked Mayor Wesely if Lynn Johnson is handling the constituents questions about this issue because he has a constituent that he would like for him to call. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that Lynn Johnson is directly involved in this issue because it is Park.

Mayor Wesely stated to Council that they probably saw the article and he assumes some of the E-Mail's from Britain. Ms. Seng stated to Mayor Wesely that they didn't actually see the E-Mail's. Diane Gonzolas stated to Ms. Seng that she will get them all a copy of it. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that they don't have to go to them that they are coming to us.

Mayor Wesely stated to Council that on Thursday morning at 9:30 a.m. they dedicate the British plaque that they have up stairs and they are welcome to come to it. Mayor Wesely stated to Council that they are hoping to have a representative from the British Embassy there. Mayor Wesely stated to Council if they recall the British plaque came to them in 1950 from Britain as a thanks to our Country for helping them in World War II with a destroyer that they named H.M.S. Lincoln.

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# II. CITY CLERK

City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council that in regards to Item 4 [Approving an Agrmt. between the City & AT&T Wireless, PCS, L.L.C. for the lease of space for the installation & operation of telecommunications antenna & associated ground space on the 911 tower on property generally located at 14<sup>th</sup> & Military Road] there is a request to have 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading on this item as well. City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council that they will need a motion for this item.

City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council that in regards to Item 6 [Authorizing a transfer of appropriations within the Sanitary Sewer Construction Fund & the Water Construction Fund in the amount of \$94,889.00] they received a request from the Public Works Department to have 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading on this item as well. City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council that they will need a motion for this item.

City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council that in regards to Item 12 [Approving a resolution directing the submission of a proposed general obligation bond issue for extension of improvements to the City's storm sewer & drainage system at the April 3, 2001 City primary election] they should have received in their packets the Substitute Resolution for this item. City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council that they are also going to have to amend it as well to show the May election date.

City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council that in regards to Item 23 [Request of Public Works to set the Hearing Date of Monday, February 26, 2001 at 5:30 p.m. & place on the Formal City Council Agenda ] they will have a motion for this item to set the hearing date for two Improvement Districts.

City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council on the Pending list in regards to Item 38 [Declaring city-owned property legally described as the remaining portion of Lots 226-229, Ridgeview Add., except the north 10' of said lots, generally located at N. 5<sup>th</sup> & Adams St., as surplus & authorizing the sale thereof] the Parks & Recreation Department has requested to withdraw this item from Pending.

City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Council also on the Pending list in regards to Item 56 [Vacating a portion of Pine Lake Rd. from the west line of Lazy Acres Subdivision west to the railroad right-of-way, generally located west of S. 14<sup>th</sup> Street & Pine Lake Road] they have a request to remove this item from Pending to have Public Hearing on February 12, 2001.

Mr. Cook asked City Clerk Joan Ross if this was being replaced with the item. City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Mr. Cook that "no" it is not, that these are two separate areas. Mr. Cook stated to City Clerk Joan Ross okay.

Mr. Shoecraft stated to City Clerk Joan Ross that he understands that she is going to do something a little bit different today because she is going to be gone for a couple of weeks. Mr. Shoecraft asked City Clerk Joan Ross who will be conducting the Council Meeting today and asked who will be doing the "minutes" for the meeting. City Clerk Joan Ross stated to Mr. Shoecraft that Teresa Meier-Brock will call the items and call the votes. Teresa Meier-Brock stated to Mr. Shoecraft that this week Joan Ross will be doing it and then next week Judy Roscoe will be with her and Ms. Roscoe will be doing the "minutes" for that week. Mr. Shoecraft stated to City Clerk Joan Ross and Teresa Meier-Brock okay.

# III. CORRESPONDENCE

# A. COUNCIL REQUESTS

# ANNETTE McROY

- OUTSTANDING Request to Law Department RE: Cars & Trucks driving on City streets that operate hydraulics systems (RFI#45 -5/05/00). — MS. McROY ABSENT - NO COMMENTS
- OUTSTANDING Request to LPD, Chief Casady/ Law Department RE: To have bikes picked up by Police given to them for repairs and give away if no one claims them (RFI#62 11/16/00) 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM ASSISTANT CHIEF JIM PESCHONG, LPD RECEIVED ON RFI#62-11/20/00. MS. McROY ABSENT NO COMMENTS

3. Request to the Public Works & Utilities Department, Scott Opfer - RE: On Holidays - parking meter requirements (RFI#63-1/23/01) — 1.) SEE RESPONSE FROM SCOTT OPFER, PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DEPARTMENT RECEIVED ON RFI#63-1/26/01. — MS. McROY ABSENT - NO COMMENTS

#### **JON CAMP**

1. OUTSTANDING Request to **Dana Roper, City Attorney** - RE: EMS Outside Consultants/Attorneys (RFI#51 - 9/28/00). — NO COMMENTS

#### **JEFF FORTENBERRY**

1. Request to the Law Department - RE: Inquiries re: Women's Commission advocacy against Defense of Marriage Amendment (RFI#21-1/29/01). — NO COMMENTS

# B. DIRECTORS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

# **COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

1. Letter from Bob Workman - RE: City's Administrative Policy for the Sale of Surplus Property. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

# **HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

- \*1. NEWS RELEASE from Leon Vinci RE: Flu Is Gradually Increasing Locally. NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS
- \*2. Memo from Leon Vinci RE: Influenza Update. NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

# PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

1. Response Letter from Lynn Johnson to June Simpson - RE: Proposed Sale of Land at Holmes Golf Course. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

#### **PLANNING**

- 1. Information from the Planning Department RE: A meeting hosted by the Lincoln/Lancaster County Planning Department on the proposed "Southeast Lincoln/Highway 2 Subarea Plan" on Monday, February 12, 2001 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Lincoln Berean Church, 6400 S. 70<sup>th</sup> Street (70<sup>th</sup> & Highway 2). NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS
- 2. Material from Jean Walker RE: Change of Zone No. 3292 and Miscellaneous No. 00011 (Entryway Corridors District and Design Standards). Mr. Shoecraft stated that the Mayor and Mr. Fortenberry are going to the Rotary Club tomorrow in regards to this concept. Mr. Shoecraft stated that what he has been hearing from the business community is that their all for Entryway duplication, but their also concerned about the new concept. That it is going to be hiding businesses and effecting their signage and they all know that a business needs to be visible and the signage is important and they wanted some common sense ejected into this concept of Entryway Duplications that they don't hide a business and don't potentially effect the signage dramatically. Mr. Shoecraft stated to Mayor Wesely and Mr. Fortenberry that this is what their fear is, so he told them that he would bring their concern up and get their reaction to it as they move forward with this concept.

Mr. Fortenberry commented that in thinking of consideration of the entire projects and in supportive of looking at it in individual pieces, that like right now Dallas McGee is the [inaudible] for the downtown portion of it. Mr. Fortenberry stated that the third Community Meeting with the business and property owners will be coming up shortly, so this is one segment. Mr. Fortenberry stated that the Airport will be another segment down the road. Mr. Fortenberry stated that he thinks Ed Zimmer decided to delay further Public Hearing, so that a Open House could be held so that some of these concerns could be more directly addressed to staff prior to the actual Formal Public Hearing. Mr. Fortenberry indicated that he was encouraged by that and hopefully they will work some of the difficulties out. Mr. Fortenberry stated that he can't promise they'll all go away, but that is the next step.

# PLANNING COMMISSION FINAL ACTION .....

\*1. Special Permit No. 1892 (Personal wireless facility - No. 7<sup>th</sup> Street & Fletcher Avenue) Resolution No. PC-00657. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

#### PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

- \*1. Response Letter from Harry Kroos to James B. Luers, Wolfe, Snowden, Hurd, Luers & Ahl RE: The approval of the resolution ordering sidewalks along West "O" Street. NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS
- \*2. Response Letter from Harry Kroos to Steven C. Haack RE: The resolution ordering sidewalk construction along the south side of Glade Street from South 49<sup>th</sup> Street to South 52<sup>nd</sup> Street. NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS
- \*3. Response Letter from Harry Kroos to John McDermott RE: The resolution ordering sidewalk construction along the west side of South 38<sup>th</sup> Street from 'A' Street to 'D' Street. NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS
- \*4. Response Letter from Scott Opfer to Claude Reyman RE: Street Medians. NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS
- \*5. Response Letter from Scott Opfer to Dan Klein RE: 38<sup>th</sup> Street & Pine Lake Road Traffic Signal Request. --- Mr. Shoecraft asked Allan Abbott if this traffic signal was going to happen. Mr. Shoecraft stated to Allan Abbott that he doesn't think this will happen, but it is a bear getting out of there. Mr. Shoecraft stated that he knows they put the traffic signal down at 32<sup>nd</sup> Street. Mr. Abbott stated that he thinks they have one at 48<sup>th</sup> and 32<sup>nd</sup> Streets, but right now they don't have plans for 38<sup>th</sup> Street. Mr. Abbott stated to Mr. Shoecraft that once they get a construction there and it is opened they will take another evaluation. Mr. Shoecraft commented that they don't want to many stops. Mr. Abbott commented to Mr. Shoecraft that unfortunately and pretty soon they will have a stop light at every block at Pine Lake and they don't want that either. Mr. Shoecraft stated to Mr. Abbott okay.
- 6. Memo & Report from Dennis Bartels, Public Works & Utilities Department and Stephen Henrichsen, Planning Department RE: Infrastructure Financing Study Advisory Committee Final Report (Material for the Pre-Council Meeting scheduled for 2/05/01 at 10:00 a.m.). --- NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

#### REAL ESTATE DIVISION

- \*1. InterOffice Memo from Clinton W. Thomas RE: Mahoney Park/Fairview Cemetery Surplus Property Declaration. NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS
- 2. InterOffice Memo from Clinton Thomas RE: Holmes Park Surplus Property. NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

#### **STARTRAN**

1. InterOffice Memo from Larry Worth - RE: January 20, 2001 StarTran Town Hall Meeting. —NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

# C. MISCELLANEOUS

- \*1. E-Mail from John Parham, Assistant to the City Manager, City of Largo, Florida RE: City Manager Evaluation. NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS
- \*2. E-Mail from Bob & Lucille Hanson RE: The letter about the Fire Department taking over the ambulance service and the details about the service. NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS
- \*3. E-Mail from Suchada Rajca RE: Please support the Southeast Lincoln/Highway 2 Subarea Plan as proposed by the Planning Department. NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS
- \*4. E-Mail from Sean Roche RE: A class project he has to do for school. NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS
- \*5. Letter from Bill Story to Jerry Shoecraft RE: The ambulance service. NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS
- 6. Letter from AKA-Jonny Catte/AKA-Eric Gatica. Mr. Fortenberry asked Chief Casady if he would take a look at this letter.
- 7. Letter from Mrs. Sara Hollcroft, Reading Instructor, Scott Middle School Students
   RE: Students at Scott Middle School are raising money for PLANTER –
  Pledging Life for Another Neighborhood's Tomorrow by Experiencing Reading.
  It is the goal of Scott students to have members of the Lincoln community attend
  PLANTER. NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS
- 8. E-Mail from Donna Goldsberry, DG's Outsource Solutions RE: To inquire whether or not you ever have the need to outsource work. NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

# **ADDENDUM**

# I. MAYOR

- Memo from Diane Gonzolas RE: Snow Operation Reports. NO COMMENTS
- 2. NEWS RELEASE RE: Plans Announced For City's First Abraham Lincoln Birthday Celebration Local and national performers to be on Lied Stage February 11<sup>th</sup>. Mayor Don Wesely mentioned this issue during his comments to the Council under "I. Mayor". (See that discussion)

# II. CITY CLERK

# III. CORRESPONDENCE

A. COUNCIL REQUESTS - NONE

#### B. DIRECTORS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

#### **FINANCE**

 Material from Don Herz & Melinda J. Jones - RE: Resolution & Finance/Treasurer Of Lincoln, Nebraska - Investments Purchased between January 26 and February 1, 2001. — NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS

# C. MISCELLANEOUS

- 1. E-Mail from Doug Beran RE: To urge you to not support the sale of the corner of Holmes Lake to anybody. NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS
- 2. E-Mail from Katherine A. Kerner RE: Sale of parkland at Holmes Lake. NOTED WITHOUT COMMENTS
- 3. Letter from John C. Huff, President, Capitol Beach Community Association to Allen Lee, City Traffic Engineering RE: To place stop signs on West S Street at the corner of West S and Northwest 20<sup>th</sup> Street. Mr. Shoecraft asked Allan Abbott to respond to this letter. Mr. Abbott stated to Mr. Shoecraft okay.

#### IV. DIRECTORS

FIRE DEPARTMENT - Chief Spadt stated to Council that he has a little bit more information on the diversion of the rotation problems. Chief Spadt stated to Council that they are working very cooperatively with St. Elizabeth's Hospital on trying to resolve this issue. Chief Spadt stated that they are very fortunate in our community that the problem is not bigger. Chief Spadt indicated to Council that more times then not citizens in this community are going to end up some place where they don't want to be, for example this morning all the hospitals are on full rotation and what this means is that they take turns and if someone wants to go to Bryan Hospital they may end up at Saint Elizabeth's Hospital and that is just the way it is, that they don't have the big space and they don't have the staff. Chief Spadt stated to Council that they developed a script for their employees to read to the patients or to recite to the patient to try to elevate some of the attention on the trip. Chief Spadt stated to Council that some people have denied medical care and would go by private vehicle which is a bad thing because some of them are really sick. Chief Spadt stated to Council that they plead with the hospitals to try to get them in and sometimes they are successful, but some times they are not. Chief Spadt stated to Council that it is a huge problem and indicated that in other cities there are situations where patients end up in the back of an ambulance for as long as 30 minutes waiting for a hospital to open up, so they are still fortunate. Chief Spadt stated the sooner they build these spaces the better off they are going to be.

# V. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

JONATHAN COOK - NO COMMENTS

**ANNETTE McROY - ABSENT** 

#### **CINDY JOHNSON**

Ms. Johnson stated to Dana Roper that her and Ms. McRoy would like to sit down with him to discuss the 24 hour parking issue that has been in the newspapers. Ms. Johnson stated that she will have Darrell Podany coordinate the meeting. Ms. Johnson stated to Mr. Roper that at some point they need to get this meeting scheduled and she would also like to have the Planning Department involved in this meeting.

#### JEFF FORTENBERRY

Mr. Fortenberry stated to Lynn Johnson that he will give him the number after the Director's Meeting, so he can respond to the individual.

Mr. Fortenberry indicated to Don Herz that he bought some tickets to a Pershing event recently and there was a facility charge or something like that and he was wondering if this goes to the City. Mr. Herz stated to Mr. Fortenberry that he thinks it does, but he would have to check to be sure. Mr. Fortenberry asked Mr. Herz, if he would check on that for him. Mr. Herz stated to Mr. Fortenberry that he will check on it.

Mr. Fortenberry stated to Allan Abbott that he has a letter that he wants to show him after the Director's Meeting.

#### COLEEN SENG

Ms. Seng commented that she thinks Lynn Johnson should tell them about the award he received yesterday at the Great Plain Trails Meeting. Mr. Johnson stated that he was awarded yesterday the Great Plain Trails Network Award during their Annual Meeting. Mr. Johnson stated that he was very pleased to receive this award and it was a great group to work with. Ms. Seng stated that there are not very many folks that have received this award. Mr. Johnson stated that Kent Seacrest also received a prestige award from the group on behalf of his work throughout the community trails. Mr. Johnson stated that they were both pleased to be honored yesterday. [Everyone clapped]

#### **JON CAMP**

Mr. Camp stated to Don Herz that he would like to see him after the Director's Meeting today. Mr. Herz stated to Mr. Camp okay.

# **JERRY SHOECRAFT - NO COMMENTS**

# VI. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:55 A.M.

\*HELD OVER FROM JANUARY 29, 2001.

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